

Homework/Extension

Step 3: Using Prepositions to Express Time

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 3: (3G1.7) [Using prepositions to express time and cause](#)

English Year 3: (3G1.7) [Express time, place and cause using prepositions \[for example, before, after, during, in, because of\]](#)

Terminology for pupils:

- (3G1.7) [preposition](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Identify which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete a given sentence. Word bank includes 'from', 'on' and 'in'.

Expected Identify which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete both given sentences. Word bank includes 'about', 'beyond', 'since' and 'following'.

Greater Depth Identify which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete three given sentences.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Varied Fluency)

Developing Underline any prepositions that express time and show how many prepositions that express time have been used altogether, in three given sentences. Four multiple choice options provided.

Expected Underline any prepositions that express time and show how many prepositions that express time have been used altogether, in four given sentences. Five multiple choice options provided.

Greater Depth Underline any prepositions that express time and show how many prepositions that express time have been used altogether, in five given sentences.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application and Reasoning)

Developing Decide whether a preposition that expresses time has been correctly identified in a sentence and explain why. Includes the preposition 'after'.

Expected Decide whether a preposition that expresses time has been correctly identified in a sentence and explain why. Includes the preposition 'between'.

Greater Depth Decide whether a preposition that expresses time has been correctly identified in a sentence and explain why. Includes the word 'through' used as an adverb.

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1. Which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete the sentence below?

We are going out for dinner _____ Friday night with our old school friends.

from

on

in



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2. Underline all the prepositions that express time in the sentences below and then tick the correct box to show how many have been used in total.

A. Michael rang his mum from his friend's house before she fell asleep.

B. The manager told me that he would let me know by the end of the day.

C. Is it true that your mum comes from Hong Kong?

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3. Scarlett has underlined the preposition that expresses time in the sentence below.

Mimi went swimming with her auntie after the party.

Is she correct? Explain how you know.



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4. Which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete both of the sentences below?

I've only been living here _____ yesterday, but John's lived next door with his wife for twelve years.

_____ Masood started working in his brother's restaurant, he has become a fantastic cook.

about

beyond

since

following



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5. Underline all the prepositions that express time in the sentences below and then tick the correct box to show how many have been used in total.

A. Last night, I listened to my favourite podcast until I fell asleep.

B. There had been an accident therefore it was very difficult to get across the main road.

C. Following two months of hard work, Clive slowly opened his exam booklet.

D. His anger was probably due to the bad weather.

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6. Brendan has underlined the preposition that expresses time in the sentence below.

Lacey had time to exercise at the gym between finishing work and having her dinner.

Is he correct? Explain how you know.



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7. Which preposition that expresses time can be used to complete all of the sentences below?

Have you noticed that it usually starts to get dark early _____ the end of October?

Tristan always feels sleepy _____ the end of the school day so it takes him longer to finish his work in the afternoon.

It was _____ midnight when the five young boys fell asleep during their sleepover.



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8. Underline all the prepositions that express time in the sentences below and then fill in the box to show how many prepositions that express time have been used in total.

- A. We learnt about three different types of rocks during last week's science lesson.
- B. I cannot believe that Nina hasn't seen any of her cousins since 2018.
- C. Fiona was paid until the end of March from her last job before retirement.
- D. You have to wait for a long time in the waiting room until they announce your name.
- E. Winston continued to work in the factory after the war had ended.



Total number of prepositions that express time:

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9. Keira has underlined the preposition that expresses time in the sentence below.

At the weekend, Dennis discovered a large hole in the corner of the roof where the rain comes through.

Is she correct? Explain how you know.



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Developing

1. **on**
2. **A. before; B. by; two prepositions that express time have been used.**
3. **Scarlett is correct because in this sentence, the preposition 'after' expresses time.**

Expected

4. **since**
5. **A. until; C. following; two prepositions that express time have been used.**
6. **Brendan is incorrect because in this sentence, 'at' is a preposition that expresses place – not time. Brendan should have underlined the preposition 'between' instead as it expresses time.**

Greater Depth

7. **towards**
8. **A. during; B. since; C. until, before; D. until; E. after; six prepositions that express time have been used.**
9. **Keira is incorrect because in this sentence, 'through' has been used as an adverb – not a preposition. Keira should have underlined the preposition 'at' instead.**